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Date: Wed, 18 Aug 1993 03:37:47 GMT
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Subject: Equipment reviews
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Anyone know where I can get reviews of amateur equipment
over the last dozen years or so? Any ftp sites carrying
such goodies? I see lots of ads in rec.radio.swap but
new to the game, I haven't a clue often of what's being
offered, nor the relative merits/demerits of the equipment
in its original incarnation.

thanks,

jim

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Access <=> Internet BBS, a public access internet site
Sytex Communications, Arlington VA, 1-703-528-4380
-- Internet Access for the rest of us...

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Subject: FT-470 Manual + Schematics
To: ham-equip@ucsd.edu

I'm looking for a manual and schematics for the Yaetsu FT-470 ht.

If anyone has one or could run me off some photocopies I would really appreciate it.

Thanks, Charles

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Subject: ICOM IC-R7100 users out there ????
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I'd like to get in touch with ICOM IC-R7100 users that can recommend or NOT recommend this receiver/scanner. Anyone using the optional FC-7000DX LF-HF converter and the optional CI-V computer interface? How do these perform ?

I am tempted to set it up this way to cover from 10Khz to 2000Mhz with one single receiver. Anyone can tell me what risks I am facing? Do converters in general and this converter in particular perform fairly well for serious shortwave DXing? Should I go with two receivers?

Last but not least ... what is the best US price I can get ? Are there mail order houses with good reputation you can recommend ?

Thanks, please e-mail

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Subject: ICOM P2at
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I have owned an ICOM P2AT since April 5th of this year. I chose it over the Kenwood TH-28A primarily because the P2AT can light up the keyboard which makes it look really 'cool' in low light.

The receive sensitivity is great! Receives .16 uV of signal (but this is probably common on most new HTs). Learning to program the memories took an afternoon (4 hours approx.)

The only thing that I don't like is the stock battery pack which lasts for 1 - 1 1/2 days depending on whether you transmit and kerchunk alot. I live across the street from our local "Net" repeater and can get by with using 500 mW transmit power (Downtown). I can also use 500 mW power to access a repeater in a nearby suburb. I try to limit my use of 1.5 W to more distant/low antenna repeaters because this will use my battery extremely fast.

Also use it to listen in on the AO-21 satellite with good results, though a better antenna than the stock would be even better.

Also, unlike some other 'large' (spelled Manly) radios, I can fit this 'Toy' into my jacket pocket by unscrewing the rubber duck.

In summary the P2AT is an excellent radio for the features it provides although the power the Battery Pack provides doesn't last long enough -- BP113 recommended. The radio itself will last a long time and provide you with 'hours' of enjoyment.

73
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Subject: Replacements for FT508 Rubber Resistor?

To: ham-equip@ucsd.edu

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> In article <iZ208B1w165w@nj8j.atl.ga.us>, Ben Coleman writes:
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> > Well, it figures. I finally decide to get an FT-530, and I remember
> > comments that the 'rubber resistor' that comes with the 530 should be
> > replaced, but I can't remember what was recommended. A pop by the local
> > radio store shows at least dual-band duckies from Larson and Anli. Can
> > anyone comment on these? Anything else that works well (relatively
> > speaking, of course - we are talking rubber duckies here).
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> > Ben NJ8J
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To which <buXot*X+x@lhaven.UUmh.Ab.Ca>, dreamer@lhaven.UUmh.Ab.Ca (Lawrence
"The Dreamer" Chen) replied:

[unrelated stuff deleted . . .]

> I don't know how the Larsen compares to the YHA-28, except the look to be
> similar in concept.....I'll probably try getting one of those if I should lose
> the YHA-28.....
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I happen to have both. When I got my FT-470, I also picked up the Larsen,
because in my experience their performance was always a cut above that from
the stock antennas (to wit the Icom 2AT, 02AT, and another Yaesu back
there somewhere . . .) Anyway, I was unpleasantly surprised in this case.
The first Larsen was so poor I took it back and the dealer tested it --
turns out it was resonant at about 139 MHz rather than 146 or so . . . The
replacement was resonant at 145.

Seat-of-the-pants comparison shows TX performance between the Larsen and
the YHA-28 to be indistinguishable. RX is a different story. The YHA-28
provides a much better signal, in certain spots providing Q5 reception
while the Larsen doesn't even open the squelch. My vote's for the Yaesu
-- especially if you can get a free one to replace your dummy load.

73,

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I have the ANLI AL800 on my Alinco 580 and it truly gets out. I was very pleased, so much so, that I bought another one for my Bearcat 200xlt portable scanner.

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Subject: Wanted: Opinions about Icom IC-728
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Is there anyone out there that uses, or have used an ICom IC-728. i am considering to by the 728 as my first HF TX. But it's always good to get a second opinion.

First how's the selectivity, and the sensitivity? I am using a NRD-535 right now to listen to shortwave and i am

aware that the 728 can't compete with the 535, but at least i want a decent rig. Is there any obvious weaknesses or other bad features that annoys you? The lack of bells and whistles does not bother me, i am more interested in a good functional TX that allows me to do the basic operating. I'll save the bells and whistles for my second rig.

I'll be running a wire antenna since i live in an apartment and i can't get a beam or yagi antenna. How good is the antenna tuner option that you can buy.

Any other comments or suggestions, or can someone point me to another (better) radio in roughly the same price group? (+-\$150).

Thanks in advance.

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Thomas Grennefors, SM4UUA ! What is the airspeed velocity of an unladen swallow?
Ericsson Telecom,Karlstad ! What do you mean, an African or a European swallow?
etxtsg@solsta.ericsson.se ! Well...I don't know...AAAAARRRRRRRRRRRRRRGGGGGHHHH!!!

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